

BRITAIN DECLARES WAR

Prime Minister Chamberlain Tells House of Hitler's Refusal

LONDON, Sept. 3. — (CP) — Prime Minister Chamberlain today proclaimed Great Britain is at war with Germany after expiration of a British ultimatum to Germany to withdraw her troops from Poland.

The deadline expired at 11 a.m. British summer time (6 a.m. E.D.T.).

"You can imagine what a bitter blow it is to me," the Prime Minister told the nation in a radio broadcast.

"The actions of this man (Hitler) show convincingly that he will never do otherwise than use force in the attainment of his will.

"Consequently we are at war with Germany," he said.

"I am certain right will prevail."

Immediately after the Prime Minister's brief announcement, the Government broadcast a series of instructions to all citizens.

Hand rattles, it said, would provide poison gas warnings.

All day schools in the evacuation areas

in England, Scotland and Wales are to be closed, it said.

The public was warned to keep off the streets as much as possible.

"To expose yourself unnecessarily adds to your danger," the announcement warned.

All places of entertainment are to be closed until further notice.

"They are being closed because if they are hit by a bomb, large numbers would be killed or injured."

The Prime Minister, speaking from 10 Downing Street, said he could not believe there was "anything more or anything different" that he could have done.

Up to the last, he said, it would have been "quite possible to have arranged a peaceful and honorable settlement with Germany."

But, he added: "Herr Hitler would not have it."

Britain had demanded that German troops be withdrawn from Poland by 11

a.m., British summer time, (6 a.m. E.D.T.) and Mr. Chamberlain said Germany had made "no such undertaking" as Great Britain had demanded.

France had said she would follow automatically Britain's action.

Mr. Chamberlain ended with the prayer: "May God bless you all and may we defend the right."

"We have done all that any country could do to establish peace," he said, "but a situation in which no word given by Germany's ruler could be trusted and no people or country could endure has become intolerable, and now that we have resolved to finish it, I know that you will all play your part with calmness and courage.

"At such a moment as this, the assurances of support which we have received from the Empire are a source of profound encouragement to us.

"When I finish speaking, certain detailed announcements will be made on behalf of the Government.

"Please give your close attention.

"The Government have made plans under which it will be possible to carry on the work of the nation in the days of stress and strain that may be ahead.

"These plans need your help.

"You may be taking your part in the fighting services or as a volunteer in one of the branches of civil defense; if so, you will report for duty in accordance with the instructions you receive.

"You may be engaged in work essential to the prosecution of war, or the maintenance of the life of the people, in factories, in transport, in public utility concerns or in the supply of other necessities of life; if so, it is of vital importance that you should carry on with your jobs.

"Now may God bless you all and may we defend the right, for it is evil things that we shall be fighting against — force, bad faith, injustice, oppression and persecution.

"Against them, I am certain, the right will prevail."

Final Peace Efforts Foiled By German Fuehrer's Rejections

German Army Pushes On Against Polish Defense Lines

HITLER FLATLY REJECTS BRITAIN'S DEMAND TO RETREAT FROM POLAND

Sir Neville Henderson Handed In Communique Warning Germany War Would Follow If Germany Failed to Give Assurances Troops Would Be Ordered Out of Poland By 5 a.m., E.S.T.

BERLIN, Sept. 3.—(CP-Havas)—The German radio announced today that the German Government had rejected the British and French ultimatums and would not cease hostilities in Poland, as demanded.

Adolf Hitler announced he was leaving Berlin for the front today.

LONDON, Sept. 3.—(CP)—The British Broadcasting Corporation announced today that Britain had given Germany until 10 a.m. Greenwich Mean Time, (6 a.m., E.D.T.) to answer satisfactorily Britain's final warning.

It broadcast a communique from 10 Downing Street saying that Sir Neville Henderson, British Ambassador in Berlin, had told the German Government that if assurances were not received by then a "state of war" would exist between Great Britain and Germany.

The announcement said Sir Neville informed the German Government at 8 a.m. (4 a.m., E.D.T.) that the answer demanded by Britain was to Prime Minister Chamberlain's "final warning" of Sept. 1. That Germany cease her aggression against Poland and call off her troops from Polish soil.

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Grant \$11,850 Toward Airport at Brantford

A grant of \$11,850 has been made by the Department of Transport, Ottawa, toward the development of the Brantford airport.

W. Ross MacDonald, K.C., M.P., has received the following communication in this regard:

"The matter of a grant to the City of Brantford to assist in airport development has been taken under consideration, and I am pleased to say that the Department is prepared to contribute a sum not exceeding

\$11,850 for that purpose.

"This will cover the removal of the power and telephone lines, and a limited program of grading which was tentatively prepared last year.

"We are writing to the City today advising them of this and granting them authority to proceed with the work pending the completion of a formal agreement.

"Yours faithfully,
"V. I. SMART,
"Deputy Minister."

CHAMBERLAIN CHARGES HITLER MADE UP MIND TO MAKE ATTACK ON POLAND

Civilians Killed In German Raids

WARSZAWA, Sept. 3.—(Sunday) — (CP-Havas) — The Polish Government today announced 30 persons had been killed during two German air attacks on the Town of Lublin, 100 miles southeast of Warsaw.

Czestochowa, the Lourdes of Poland, where thousands of pilgrims flock every year to visit a shrine, is in flames as a result of German bombing yesterday, the Government said.

EMERGENCY EDITION OF THE EXPOSITOR

Issued Because of Vital Importance of Outbreak of War

The Expositor presents herewith a Sunday extra edition, based on the importance of the day's news developments, which affect every home in the British Empire.

Tomorrow, Labor Day, The Expositor will violate its own rule of "no edition on Labor Day" on the ground that the news of the day is too important to lay over even for 24 hours. For this reason, a 1 o'clock edition will be published and delivered to the homes of all subscribers.

Der Fuehrer Did Not Even Show His Proposals to Polish Government—Declares of Britain and France "We Have a Clear Conscience" — Poles Bravely Resisting Wicked and Unprovoked Attack

LONDON, Sept. 3.—(CP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain today announced "this country is at war with Germany" after a British ultimatum to the Reich had expired.

Speaking over the radio, Mr. Chamberlain declared:

"I have to tell you now that this country is at war with Germany."

"He had evidently made up his mind to attack Poland no matter what happened," Mr. Chamberlain said of Hitler.

He said the German Fuehrer evidently had not even showed his proposals to the Polish Government, and that Britain's ultimatum had passed without reply, so a state of war existed.

He said the people of Poland "were so bravely resisting this wicked and unprovoked attack."

France, the Prime Minister said, was joining Britain in fulfilling her pledges from Poland's independence, and "we have a clear conscience."

The deadline expired at 11 a.m. British summer time (6 a.m. E.D.T.).

TEXT OF PREMIER'S SPEECH

LONDON, Sept. 3.—(AP) — Following is the text of Prime Minister Chamberlain's proclamation that Great Britain is at war with Germany.

This morning the British Ambassador in Berlin handed to the German Government a final note stating that unless we heard from them by 11 o'clock (British Summer Time, 6 a.m. E. D. T.) that they were preparing at once to withdraw their troops from Poland a state of war would exist between us.

Italy Calls Off Air Raid Drills

ROME, Sept. 3.—(CP-Havas) — An official communique issued here today announced that anti-airplane defense drills which have taken place during the past few days have been terminated. No blackout took place in Rome last night.

54TH BATTERY RECRUITING TO FULL STRENGTH

Local Unit of R.C.A. Receiving Volunteers-High Physical Requirements

The 54th Field Battery, Royal Canadian Artillery, a unit of the Canadian Active Service Force now being raised, is being recruited to full strength in Brantford at once. The men for this unit will be drawn from the Counties of Brant, Norfolk and Haldimand and they will be required to measure up to the highest standards of physical fitness and ability.

Approximately 170 men will be required and more than 40 had already made application, even before it was generally known that the unit was to be mobilized.

FRENCH PUBLIC TAKEN BY SURPRISE OVER SPEED FINALE OF THE CRISIS

French Ambassador Was Waiting In Berlin For Reply to Demand For Answer to Ultimatum to Withdraw Troops From Poland—Only a Few Parisians Heard Chamberlain's Statement of War Declaration

PARIS, Sept. 3.—(AP)—France gave Germany until 5 p.m. (British summer time (1 p.m. E.D.T.) today to reply to her ultimatum demanding that German troops leave Poland or find herself at war with France.

PARIS, Sept. 3.—(AP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain's proclamation that Great Britain was at war with Germany left no doubt that France must follow suit.

The announcement that French Ambassador Robert Coulondre would call on the German Foreign Minister, Joachim von Ribbentrop, in Berlin at noon (7 a.m. E.D.T.) to demand a reply to France's ultimatum to Germany was considered merely a formality.

Officials said Coulondre had asked for the appointment in advance and would "deliver a communication of the French Government to the German Government."

The rapidity with which the crisis came to a head caught the French public by surprise.

A drizzling rain rendered streets of the capital even more deserted than usual on Sunday.

Lobbies of the Chamber of Deputies had been alive with rumors of a possible German reply to the French-British demand that Germany cease her invasion of Poland and withdraw her troops or consider herself at war with the Western Powers.

Mr. Chamberlain's radio announcement which heralded war was heard by only a few here.

At the moment of the Prime Minister's historic announcement Premier Daladier was receiving Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet at the War Ministry.

Italian Ship Is Held

QUEBEC, Sept. 3.—(CP) — The 8,000-ton Italian freighter San Giuseppe, held on an arrest warrant sworn charging breach of contract, was brought into dock here early today by Admiralty officials and

Roy. Canadian Mounted Police officers. The warrant, sworn out by Joseph Pike and Sons (Liverpool) Limited, was claiming damages of \$100,000.

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CRISIS HIGHLIGHTS... Pictures By Radio and Cable

ARMY OF HELPLESS RETREATS FROM LONDON

Neutrality Of Balkans Is Assured

Italy's Keeping Out Has Changed Prospects for Struggle

BUDAPEST, Sept. 3 — (AP) — Neutrality—precious though it may be—Saturday seemed assured for the time being for Southeastern Europe.

The Balkans, traditional tinder box of Europe and site of the outbreak of the Great War, were the calmest part of Europe. With the press of the various nations sharply divided over the question of responsibility for the Polish-German war, five countries—Hungary, Yugoslavia, Rumania, Bulgaria and Greece—bent all efforts to stay clear of Northern Europe's conflict as long as possible.

The sixth Southeastern European country, Turkey, which is linked with France and Great Britain in a mutual assistance treaty, is reported to have taken no measures so far which would indicate hostilities were expected in that part of the world. Bulgaria and Hungary, at least for the time being, have completely soft-pedaled the territorial claims on Rumania which many observers had expected would furnish the spark to set off Southeastern Europe simultaneously with a northern conflict.

Italy's aloofness, at least for the moment, from the German-Polish conflict plays a big part in the calm in this part of the world. Should Italy enter the war, Southeastern Europe believes war must follow for Turkey.

CANADIANS NOT AT CEREMONIAL

High Canadian and U. S. Officials Were Kept Away at Ticonderoga

TICONDEROGA, N. Y., Sept. 3 — (AP) — European developments kept high Canadian and United States officials from the dedication of a monument given by the City of Montreal at Fort Ticonderoga Saturday.

Mayor Camille Houde of Montreal and Robert T. Pell of the State Department in Washington reported they were unable to attend because of foreign developments. However, both sent representatives. The monument commemorates the stand of officers and men at the Fort on July 8, 1758.

ALL FRENCHMEN AT SHANGHAI CALLED UP

SHANGHAI, Sept. 3 — (AP) — Frenchmen of military age were called up for military service today and taken to undisclosed points. They were expected to be transported to France for war service. Meanwhile German firms were trying to transfer ownership to the Netherlands and other neutrals to avoid possible confiscation.

CLOSE CONTACT BEING KEPT WITH ITALIANS

ROME, Sept. 3 — (AP) — Count Galeazzo Ciano, Foreign Minister, conferred with the British and French Ambassadors Saturday as Italy pursued her policy of watchful waiting. The British Ambassador talked with Count Ciano for about 30 minutes. Shortly afterward Ambassador Andre Francois-Poncet of France called at the Foreign Ministry.

Bomber's-eye View of Capital



Air raiders over Warsaw see the "Gros Theatre Platz", above, as they squint through their bomb sights to take aim before dropping their deadly explosives on the heart of the crowded Polish capital.

Censorship Is Delaying Dispatches

No Suppression Encountered Yet—Five Hours' Time Lost

By The Associated Press. European censorship is delaying news but so far as known there has been no suppression. Chief difficulties as regards delay are encountered in London, where Thursday evening censors walked into communications offices and took possession. Many dispatches have been held for as long as five hours there. No dispatches come through with the former speed.

Berlin, centre of German military information, has a mild censorship but Associated Press correspondents have no evidence that any dispatches have been suppressed or distorted. Transmission from Berlin at present is more rapid than from other capitals.

Paris has a theoretical censorship even in peace-time which now is functioning actively but with fair speed.

UP TO CORRESPONDENT. Moscow and Rome maintain a "responsibility censorship," as Berlin did formerly. That means the correspondent may be punished by expulsion from the country if he sends out news considered dangerous or too antagonistic.

Much of the present difficulty was caused by interruption of news telephone communications with London Thursday because news from many European capitals normally is transmitted through London. Since there no longer is free news telephone communication between London and other capitals news is brought directly to New York from Berlin, Moscow, Rome and elsewhere.

CENSORS ACTIVE

MONTREAL, Sept. 3 — (CP) — Censors were placed early today in all cable offices here, as Prime Minister Chamberlain proclaimed that Great Britain is at war with Germany. Officials of one cable company said two censors arrived at 2 a.m. E.D.T.



To rush the evacuation of millions of defenseless non-combatants from London after Warsaw was reported bombed by German airplanes, even trucks were pressed into service to carry hospital patients to the English countryside. (NEA Radiophoto)

SOLEMN CROWDS IN DOWNING ST.

Neighborhood Was Filled With Londoners at an Early Hour

LONDON, Sept. 3 — (CP) — Solemn groups stood in Downing Street today during the hours preceding Prime Minister Chamberlain's announcement of war.

Soon after it became known that Great Britain had given an ultimatum to Germany with a time limit, the neighborhood filled with persons gathered to see the coming and going of ministers. Arthur Greenwood, acting leader of the Opposition, talked with Mr. Chamberlain for nearly 30 minutes. Shortly after his arrival the Liberal Opposition leader, Sir Archibald Sinclair, went to No. 11 Downing Street residence of Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon.

WILL SPARE CIVILIAN LIVES IN ATTACKS

PARIS, Sept. 3 — (CP-Havas) — (Passed by French censor) — It was officially announced here last night that Great Britain and France, if they must go to war, intend to conduct military operations so as to spare civilian populations and insofar as possible "the monuments of human civilization."

SAILING DATES NOT TO BE GIVEN FURTHER

OTTAWA, Sept. 3 — (CP) — Sailing hours and dates for steamships handling the ocean mail services out of Canada will not appear in the Post Office Department Weekly Bulletin "until further notice," it was announced Saturday. The Bulletin normally gives in detail the times and places of all mail boat sailings for the next seven days from Canadian ports to overseas points. It was published without the schedules for the next seven days because the information would be discontinued.

Britain Mobilizes



With Britain's general mobilization of 6,500,000 men in full swing such scenes as this were common in England. The radiophoto above shows troops at a London railroad station, entraining for an "unannounced destination."

PAINTER DIES.

LONDON, Sept. 3 — (CP Cable)

—Tennysen Cole, 77, brilliant English portrait painter of Victorian and Edwardian days, died Saturday.

Big Guns Open Up On Polish Front



A German anti-aircraft gun crew is shown in this first action photo from the German-Polish battlefield, swinging their gun into position to repulse Polish air squadrons bent on avenging the bombing of Polish cities by Nazi airmen.

The General Takes Command



Returning the salute of a subordinate, General Walther von Brauchitsch, head of the German army, is pictured as he arrived at the Polish front to take personal charge of the Nazi invasion.

Targets of German Air Raiders



The map above shows important buildings in the heart of Warsaw, targets of German bombing planes. One of those reported to have been hit was the Central Railway Station, marked at left.

Nazi Ship Is Trailed In Pacific

Merchant Vessel Portland Had Released Passengers at Everett, Wash.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 3 — (AP) — The German merchant ship Portland, unheard from since it sailed from Everett, Wash., Wednesday, was reported early today being trailed by one Australian and two Canadian naval vessels somewhere off the Pacific coast.

The Marine Exchange of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce received the information, but attaches said they were not at liberty to disclose source of it. Credence to the report was sent by the fact that, although the Australian cruiser, Perth, and the Canadian destroyers Ottawa and Restigouche had been scheduled to arrive here Tuesday, it was later announced they would not come to San Francisco.

Inquiries as to the vessel's whereabouts at the British Consulate here brought the reply: "No information."

On normal schedule the Portland would have arrived at Portland, Ore., three days ago. Mackay radio said it had not been able to communicate with the ship.

With war declared by Great Britain, the merchantman would be considered legitimate "booty."

THE PORTLAND'S UNITED STATES passengers left the ship at Everett after being held virtually prisoners several hours while port authorities conferred concerning the vessel's status.

For each United States passenger who left the ship, the Hamburg-American Line, her operators, became liable for \$200 fine because of a Federal law which prevents foreign vessels carrying United States passengers between United States ports. A term bond, previously posted by the line, covered the fines, authorities said.

WORLD RECORD "UN."

HELSINKI, Finland, Sept. 2 — (CP) — Tasio Maeki, Finnish runner broke the two-mile world track running record here with a time of eight minutes, 53.9-10 seconds.

DIES AT GOLF.

HOBART, Tasmania, Sept. 2 — (CP) — Henry J. O'Brien, 60, well-known Tasmanian bowler, collapsed and died almost immediately while playing golf at Claremont recently.

